s17 Geometric Series Exam (Practice v25)

Question 1

Consider the partial geometric series represented below with first term a=800, common ratio $r=\left(\frac{23}{40}\right)^{1/10}$, and n=10 terms.

$$S = 800 + 756.93 + 716.18 + 677.63 + 641.15 + 606.63 + 573.97 + 543.07 + 513.84 + 486.17$$

We can multiply both sides by r.

$$rS \ = \ 756.93 + 716.18 + 677.63 + 641.15 + 606.63 + 573.97 + 543.07 + 513.84 + 486.17 + 460$$

What is the value of S - rS?

Question 2

Consider the geometric series shown below, using ellipsis notation to indicate a continuation of the pattern without writing every term.

$$S = 6 + 6(8) + 6(8)^{2} + 6(8)^{3} + \cdots + 6(8)^{48} + 6(8)^{49} + 6(8)^{50} + 6(8)^{51}$$

Identify the initial term, the common ratio, and the number of terms.

Question 3

Write a proof for the partial geometric series formula.

- a. Define the variables.
- b. Write the sum using variables and ellipsis notation. You can implicitly assume the number of terms is more than the number of terms you choose to write.
- c. Using annotated algebraic manipulation, produce the partial geometric series formula.